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MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE
ON
CRIMINAL JUSTICE

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 9:00 a.m. Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Criminal Justice was called to order by the Chair.

Members present: Reps. Heise, Webber, Howrylak, Courser, Lucido, Guerra, Hovey-Wright, Chang.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Webber moved to adopt the March 10, 2015 minutes. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4015 before the committee:

HB 4015 (Kelly) Crimes; other; resale of event tickets at higher or lower prices; allow.

Matt Blasy, representing the Dow Event Center, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Richard Malkeigan, representing the Van Andel Arena and Devos Performance Hall, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

John Pirich, representing himself, testified in opposition to the bill.

Neal Brand, representing sports fans, testified in support of the bill.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Tim Ward, representing StubHub.

American Conservative Union.

MSU College Republicans.

Laurie Baumer, representing Ele's Place.

The Institute for Liberty.

David Goodfriend, representing the Sports Fan Coalition.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Diane Willcox, representing herself.

Bob Hoffman, representing the Wharton Center.

Patricia Roost, representing herself.
Ryann Clute, representing himself.
Jim Manduzzi, representing Fisher Theatre and Broadway in Detroit.
Todd Lambert, representing Ford Field.

Representative Guerra offer the following amendment:

1. Amend page 3, following line 27, by inserting:

“(2) A PERSON SHALL NOT UTILIZE THE INTERNET OR A COMPUTER, COMPUTER PROGRAM, COMPUTER NETWORK, OR COMPUTER SYSTEM TO PURCHASE MORE TICKETS THAN ALLOWED BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC SALE OFFERING FOR ADMISSION TO A THEATRE, CIRCUS, ATHLETIC GAME, OR PLACE OF PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT OR AMUSEMENT WITH THE INTENT TO RESELL THOSE TICKETS OR TO TRANSFER THEM TO ANOTHER PERSON FOR RESALE.” and renumbering the remaining subsection.

Questions and discussion was held between members.

Representative Guerra moved to adopt the amendment to HB 4015. The motion did not prevail 3-5-0.

UNFAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Guerra, Hovey-Wright, Chang.
Nays: Reps. Heise, Webber, Howrylak, Courser, Lucido.
Pass: None.

Representative Webber moved to report HB 4015 recommendation. The motion prevailed 5-3-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Heise, Webber, Howrylak, Courser, Lucido,
Nays: Reps. Guerra, Hovey-Wright, Chang.
Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 4187 before the committee:

HB 4187 (Durhal)	Crimes; malicious destruction; vandalizing, desecrating, or intentionally destroying certain public property on a highway, freeway, or interstate road; prohibit, and provide penalties.
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Representative Durhal testified in support of his bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Representative Durhal came forward to answer further questions.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

Representative Kurt Heise, Chair_____

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